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'Mysore Palace a rare jewel'

President Droupadi Murmu being led to the private residential wing of the Mysore Palace by Pramoda Devi Wadiyar this morning. Accompanying them are Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot and MP Yaduveer Wadiyar.

▶ President Droupadi Murmu visits Mysore Palace with daughter

▶ Governor, Chief Minister see off President Murmu at Mysore Airport

Mysuru, Sept. 2 (MTY, BLU, DM & BCT)- On the final leg of her two-day Mysuru tour, President Droupadi Murmu visited the Mysore Palace this morning along with her daughter, Itishree Murmu and Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot and expressed admiration for its architectural grandeur and conservation efforts.

The President praised the meticulous upkeep of the Palace, particularly the preservation of paintings, equipment and furniture used by the Wadiyars, describing the monument as a "rare jewel."

Arriving at 8.50 am through the Jayamarthanda Gate from Hotel Radisson Blu Plaza, the President was welcomed at the private residential wing of the Palace by Pramoda Devi Wadiyar. She was hosted for breakfast at her invitation. Both exchanged gifts before proceeding to the breakfast table

(See MYSORE PALACE on page 6)

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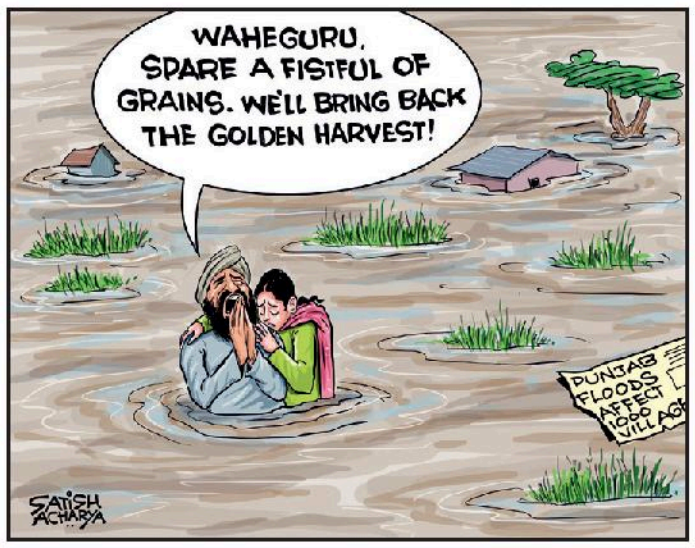
Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Tuesday 2nd September 2025

STAR PUNCH

By Satish Acharya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PUNJAB FLOODS AFFECT 1000 VILLAGES
SATISH ACHARYA

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

DOWRY'S CRUEL HOLD ON MARRIAGE: ***Recently, a young woman in Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh, was burnt alive over dowry. Her six-year-old son witnessed the ghastly crime. Only a few days earlier in Ghaziabad, another woman was harassed despite her parents having spent Rs. 75 lakh on her wedding. She was not only pressured for more money but also subjected to body shaming. She chose to resist and approached the Police.***

India takes pride in its achievements — space missions, digital start-ups and global recognition. But beneath this veneer of modernity persists an old cruelty: dowry. Despite decades of progress, this practice continues to corrode our social fabric. Dowry, once considered *streedhan* ***— a daughter's security — has in many cases degenerated into extortion...Even educated, urban households that espouse gender equality may still participate in this practice. Weddings, especially destination weddings, have become platforms for displaying wealth — pressure magnified by social media. Young couples begin married life burdened with financial expectations rather than trust. What should be sacred is reduced to transaction.***

This raises a blunt question: is marriage itself under threat in India? Not because of live-in relationships, Western influences or women's independence — as some argue. But because of the rot within. Practices like dowry undermine trust, love and respect — the very foundations of marriage. For many educated and self-reliant young women today, marriage remains the unspoken subtext — no matter what they achieve, they are still expected to marry. Parents should not force their daughters to marry if they wish to continue studying or building their careers.

Families must reject dowry outright — both giving and taking. Religious leaders and community elders should denounce it unequivocally. Citizens' groups need to mobilise with the same energy they show for other causes. Politicians and public figures can use their platforms to spread the message and condemn the scourge of dowry. For instance, in 2022, actor Akshay Kumar described dowry as a form of extortion and a social curse that continues to plague our society. Most importantly, boys must be raised differently. Gender equality should be instilled from childhood, not taught as an afterthought in adulthood. Unless young men see marriage as a partnership of equals, dowry will outlast every law and campaign. The murder in Greater Noida is not just one woman's tragedy; it is a mirror to our collective failure... *— Aditya Mukherjee in Deccan Herald*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Teen paralysed after keeping his neck bent

Beijing: A teenager suffered the fright of his life when he woke up one day with no feeling in his body due to a habit that is becoming more and more common.

Xiao Dong, a 19-year-old third-year student at a university in Quanzhou, China's Fujian province, spent a lot of time looking down at his phone, but this summer, the consequences of his daily habit became life-threatening.

After getting a summer job washing dishes and wiping tables with his head bent forward for hours on end, the pressure on the blood vessels near his spine became too much, as he also spent most of his free time looking down at his phone, playing video games and browsing on social media platforms.

At first, he started experiencing numbness in his neck, arms, and legs, but on July 30, he woke up with no feeling at all in his legs and could not move.

Lady uses super glue for dental procedure

Florida: A 35-year-old Florida woman was recently arrested for allegedly performing unlicensed dental procedures, including attaching veneers with store-bought super glue.

According to prosecutors, Emely Martinez, who posed as a "smile makeover expert" on social media, lured customers with promises of extremely cheap full-mouth veneer treatments. Her prices were so attractive compared to licensed dental clinics that many people didn't bother to check her credentials.

For reference, a single tooth veneer at a licensed clinic can cost between $900 and $1,500, but Martinez reportedly asked one client for $2,500 for a full-month veneer attachment procedure. Unfortunately, many of those mesmerized by Martinez's low prices were left with severely damaged teeth, infections and pain.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Your lifestyle is your first medicine.

Balanced diet, exercise, and stress control reduce flare frequency.

By Dr. Sangeetha K.N. - Consultant - Rheumatology, Manipal Hospital, Mysuru

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** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

Centenary celebration of Railway Co-operative Bank on Sept. 6

Mysuru, Sept. 2 (GA&DM)- The centenary celebration and 'Shata Payana,' the 105th anniversary of the city-based The Railway Co-operative Bank will take place at MMC&RI Platinum Jubilee Hall in J.K. Grounds at 10.30 am on Sept. 6.

Announcing this at a press meet here on Sunday, Bank President M.B. Manchegowda said that Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar will inaugurate the event in the presence of Suttur Mutt Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji, Kaginele Mutt Seer Dr. Shivanandapuri Swamiji, Adichunchanagiri Mutt Seer Dr. Sri Nirmalanandanatha Swamiji and Urilinga Peddi Mutt Seer Jnanaprakash Swamiji. Union Ministers H.D. Kumaraswamy and V. Somanna and a host of other political leaders will be present as chief guests.

The event will also feature felicitation of senior members of the Bank and other personalities who contributed for the growth of the bank and presentation of Pratibha Puraskar to meritorious children of Bank members who have scored more than 80 percent marks in SSLC and PUC.

A poster of the Bank's Centenary celebrations was released on the occasion. Bank Vice-President S. Anand, CEO Narayan, Directors C. Shivashankar, Shwetha, Uttej, Chandrashekar, Nirmala, General Managers Sathyanarayan and Lakshmiprasad were present at the press meet.

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Yesterday's level **124.20 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,284.00 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,858.36 feet**
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REALLY...?

- ***"Sixth sick sheik's sixth sheep's sick" — This tongue twister is considered as the toughest one to say by the Guiness Book of Records and is extremely difficult to say this string of words quickly multiple times. This may not make much sense, but then tongue twisters are not more than just a series of words put together to exercise your tongue.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Mother: *Did you clean the refrigerator?*
Daughter: *Yes, everything inside it were delicious!!*

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 88.02
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 119.05
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 23.96
1 Euro	= Rs. 102.91

VOICE OF THE READER

Rising stray dog menace in J.P. Nagar: A call for action

Sir,

In recent years, residents of J.P. Nagar in Mysuru have been grappling with a growing and uncontrolled rise in the population of stray dogs. What once may have seemed like a minor nuisance has now escalated into a serious community problem affecting the safety, health and peace of mind of the residents.

Street dogs turn aggressive

The streets of J.P. Nagar are now frequently patrolled by packs of stray dogs, some of which have become aggressive. Many residents report being chased by these dogs while riding two-wheelers or driving cars. Children, in particular, are afraid to step out and play freely in their own neighbourhoods. Parents now hesitate to allow their kids to walk to school or nearby parks unaccompanied.

Noise pollution

Another major concern is the persistent barking of dogs during night. Residents complain of disturbed sleep due to howling and fighting among the dogs, which often lasts late into the night. This persistent noise pollution has contributed to stress and fatigue among many, particularly the elderly.

Feeding by locals fuels growth

While compassion towards animals is commendable, the indiscriminate feeding of street dogs by some well-meaning residents is contributing to the problem. Regular feeding points attract more dogs, who begin to multiply in these areas due to the easy availability of food. Without proper sterilisation and medical care, the population grows unchecked, exacerbating the issue year after year.

Health and safety concerns

Beyond the fear of bites or attacks, the growing dog population also poses a public health risk. The absence of vaccination and medical monitoring can lead to the spread of rabies. The accumulation of dog faeces in public spaces further contributes to unhygienic conditions.

Need for a systematic approach

This situation demands the urgent attention of the Mysuru City Corporation and animal welfare authorities. Residents are calling for a comprehensive and humane solution:

1. Sterilisation and vaccination drives: A large-scale Animal Birth Control (ABC) programme must be implemented to control the growth of the stray dog population.

2. Dedicated shelter spaces: Authorities should explore the possibility of creating dedicated shelters or dog parks on the outskirts where strays can be housed, cared for and fed in a controlled environment.

3. Public awareness campaigns: Educating citizens on responsible animal care and the legalities around feeding stray dogs in residential areas can help manage the problem at the source.

4. Regular monitoring: Animal control units should conduct routine patrolling to identify and respond to aggressive or sick animals promptly.

The issue of stray dogs in J.P. Nagar, Mysuru, is no longer just a topic for drawing-room discussion — it is a growing urban concern that affects the quality of life for thousands of residents.

It is high time the authorities took structured and sensitive steps to address this menace before it escalates further.

—Dr. G. Rathnakar
Mysuru
20.8.2025

C.A.U.S.E to stage musical comedy event on Sept. 7

Mysuru, Sept. 2 (VNS)- C.A.U.S.E (Cooperation of the Arts for the Upliftment of Society and the Environment) Foundation has organised a musical comedy programme *'We Will Rock You'* on Sept. 7 (Sunday) at Jaganmohan Palace auditorium in city at 6 pm.

The programme will feature 20 hit songs by British Rock Band 'Queen' like *Another One Bites The Dust, Killer Queen, We Will Rock You, We Are The Champions* among others. It will be performed by artistes Rahael Thomas, Samiksha Chawla, Deepa Jacob, Kieren Alvares Lynn, Arvind Kasthuri, Aakarsh Paul, Trisha Purohit, Shyju Varkey and Prem Koshy.

The team will be accompanied by a live band directed by Aashish Paul and assisted by R. Sabharisha. The dances are choreographed and directed by Elexer Fernandes, Kieren and Keira Alvares.

Tickets for the show are priced at Rs. 750, Rs. 499, Rs. 350 and Rs.200. Interested may contact Mob: 99806-11447 or 86607- 67018, according to a press release.

Dr. Malali Vasanthkumar Endowment Award presented to Prof. C. Naganna

MLC Dr. D. Thimmaiah presenting Dr. Malali Vasanthkumar Endowment Award to former Mysore University Prasaranga Director Prof. C. Naganna, who is also BVB Mysuru Chairman, in city recently as Sharada Vasanthkumar, District Kannada Sahitya Parishat President Maddikere Gopal and others look on.

Mysuru, Sept. 2 (MK&TRR)- Senior writer and Chairman of Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan (BVB), Mysuru Kendra, Prof. C. Naganna, was conferred Dr. Malali Vasanthkumar Endowment Award at a function held at District Kannada Sahitya Parishat auditorium in the city recently.

The award was presented to him by MLC Dr. D. Thimmaiah.

Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Thimmaiah said Prof. Naganna was a worthy recipient of the award, given his immense contributions to research and his standing as a renowned research scholar. He also recalled that Dr. Malali Vasanthkumar was a gifted writer and a close associate of former University of Mysore Vice-Chancellor Prof. D. Javaregowda.

"Dr. Vasanthkumar's contributions to Kannada literature are monumental," he added.

District Kannada Sahitya Parishat President Maddikere Gopal presided. Critic and writer Prof. K. Thimmaiah delivered the felicitation address.

Also present were Sharada Malali Vasanthkumar, Parishat Secretary Latha Mohan, Cheelur Chandrashekar, Joint Secretary K. Kempanna, Treasurer G. Prakash and Organising Secretary M.N. Lokesh.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Power disruption

As Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited (KPTCL) has taken up its 2nd quarterly maintenance works at Chidravalli Power Distribution Centre, there will be disruption in power supply on Sept. 4 between 10 am and 5 pm at Chidravalli, Ukkalagere, Somanathapura villages and Gram Panchayat limits, according to the Executive Engineer, CESC, Nanjangud Division.

Sericulture training

An International Training programme on 'Sericulture and Silk Industry' has been organised at Central Sericultural Research and Training Institute (CSRTI) in Mysuru under the Indian Technical and Economic Co-operation (ITEC) initiative, Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi, from Sept. 3 to 30. It will be inaugurated tomorrow (Sept. 3) at 10 am. Around 30 participants from Egypt, Ethiopia, Ghana, Philippines, Cuba, Tanzania, Uganda and Thailand will take part in the training programme.

Coaching class

Netaji Education Foundation, Mysuru, has organised a three-month coaching class for the written exam for recruitment to NTPC posts of Railways, starting from today (Sept. 2), at its premises located on Krishna Vilas Road, opposite Avila Convent, Devaraja Mohalla. For registration and more details, contact Ph: 0821-3553964 or Mob: 63641-16745 or 94807-09611.

AGM on Sept. 7

Health and Family Welfare Department Employees Housing Co-operative Society, Mysuru, will hold its Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) at Pandit Sri Narayanacharya Kalyana Mandira, Devan's Road, Chamaraja Double Road (100 ft. Road) at 10.30 am on Sept. 7. [Ph: 0821-4256440]

Ph.D awardees

K. Umesha has been awarded Ph.D in Economics by the University of Mysore (UoM), Mysuru, for his thesis 'An Economic Analysis of Public and Private School Education in Karnataka' submitted under the guidance of Dr. M. Mahesha.

S. Prasannakumar has been awarded Ph.D in Gandian Studies by the University of Mysore (UoM), Mysuru, for his thesis 'Gandhiji Chintaneya Susthira Graminabhivrudhiyalli Sthaliya Sarkaragala Patra - Mysuru Tallukannu Anulakshisi' [Guide: Dr. S. Shivarajappa].

Dharmasthala attack a larger agenda: Sulibele

Activist Chakravarty Sulibele addressing the gathering at a programme organised by Punyakshetra Samrakshana Samiti at Jaganmohan Palace auditorium in city yesterday evening.

Mysuru, Sept. 2 (SBD&BS)- Noted thinker Chakravarty Sulibele has cautioned people against blindly believing those who criticise the Hindu religion and its culture without applying wisdom.

He was addressing a gathering at the programme 'Dharmakshetra Ulisona' organised by the 'Punyakshetra Samrakshana Samiti' at Jaganmohan Palace in the city yesterday, in the wake of what he termed as conspiracies against Shri Kshetra Dharmasthala.

Expressing dismay that people, especially Hindus, often accept unverified arguments and make ill-conceived remarks against religion and its leaders, Sulibele warned: "If such a pliable mindset continues, the ongoing vituperative campaign against Dharmasthala may not stop at temples, but enter our puja rooms too."

Heggade's social initiatives

Highlighting Dharmadhikari Dr. D. Veerendra Heggade's contributions, Sulibele noted that in the last decade alone, Heggade had donated over Rs. 175 crore to 12,000 temples across the State.

Through the Dharmothana Trust, more than 400 dilapidated temples were restored.

He also listed Heggade's initiatives: helping lakhs of needy families, facilitating ₹1.25 lakh crore in bank loans under the name of Lord Manjunatha, providing scholarships to 70,000 students, donating school furniture, deputing thousands of teachers to Government schools, feeding 40,000 devotees daily, and running de-addiction camps that rehabilitated over 1.5 lakh people.

Conspiracy theory

Sulibele alleged that vested interests, unable to digest Dharmasthala's role as a social alternative to the Government, hatched a conspiracy to malign its image through fabricated stories.

"How fair is it to question the sanctity of a centuries-old shrine merely based on a video?" he asked, linking the present attacks to a historical pattern of invasions by Mohammed Ghori and Ghazni.

Mysuru link?

He alleged that Mysuru-based NGO Odanadi Seva Samsthe and its founder Stanley spearheaded a negative campaign in Dharmasthala households in 2023.

He dismissed a new video, where a woman claims to have witnessed Sowjanya's kidnapping, as an attempt to divert attention from the so-called 'mass burial' case, which he termed a "burude" (bundle of lies).

He questioned the alleged connections between Stanley, former IAS officer-turned-MP Sasikanth Senthil, and YouTuber Sameer.

Selective silence

Acknowledging that religion should not prevent one from condemning atrocities against children, Sulibele asked why no voices were raised when such incidents occurred in places of worship of other faiths at Raichur and Chikkaballapur. "This selective silence raises suspicion of a deliberate agenda," he said.

While refraining from commenting directly on Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, Sulibele alleged that some in the CM's team with a "leftist mindset" were hand-in-glove with vested interests.

Sri Shivabasava Swamiji of Sri Ramayogeshwara Mutt (Baby Betta), activists Kirik Keerthi and Vikas Shastry were present.

Banu Mushtaq's selection not acceptable...

Adding his voice to the rising chorus of opposition against the selection of International Booker Prize-winning Kannada poet Banu Mushtaq to inaugurate Mysuru Dasara-2025, Chakravarty Sulibele expressed displeasure at what he termed the passive mindset of Hindus.

"We won't act directly, except through activism on social media and TV debates. To divert attention from the 'Burude' case, Banu Mushtaq may have been handpicked for the Dasara inauguration. But this time, Hindus have displayed remarkable intelligence by simultaneously taking on both issues. The pro-Dharmasthala movement will not stop," Sulibele declared.

Congress to take out Dharmasthala Yatra tomorrow

Mysuru, Sept. 2 (GA&DM)- The Chamaraja Constituency Congress Committee will take out a Dharmasthala Yatra tomorrow (Sept. 3) in condemnation of the attempts to malign Dharmasthala shrine and in support of Dharmadhikari Dr. Veerendra Heggade.

Announcing this at a press meet here yesterday, Committee President Ravi Manchegowdanakoppal said that Chamaraja MLA K. Harishgowda will launch the Yatra at Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple at the Palace North Gate tomorrow at 7 am, in which Congress party workers will travel in about 30 buses to Dharmasthala. After staying overnight at Dharmasthala, the party workers will take out a 'Shanti Yatra' (Peace March) in support of the Dharmasthala Dharmadhikari at 8.30 am on Sept. 4, following which they will return to Mysuru, Ravi said.

Committee office-bearers Ramesh Rayappa, Yogesh, Anantanarayan and Ramachandra were present at the press meet.

Ahead of Dasara...

BJP plans 'Chamundi Betta Dharma Yatre'

Bengaluru, Sept. 2 (KMS&BS)- Even as the preparations for *Nada Habba* Mysuru Dasara is on, BJP has decided to take out 'Chamundi Betta Dharma Yatre,' ahead of the annual event. The intent behind this new rally is clear — to rightfully claim that Chamundi Hill belongs to Hindus, not the Government.

This comes close on the heels of a recent claim of Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar that, Chamundi Hill, belongs to Government, not just Hindus.

The forthcoming 'Chamundi Betta Yatre' will be modelled after 'Dharmasthala Chalo' held yesterday. A decision in this regard was taken, prior to a convention organised as part of 'Dharmasthala Chalo' in Dharmasthala.

As part of the Yatre, State BJP President B.Y. Vijayendra, along with Leader of the Opposition in Legislative Assembly R. Ashoka, MPs, MLAs and the party leaders, will be taking out a *padayatra* from Deputy Commissioner's office in Mysuru to Chamundi Hill.

The BJP Mysuru local unit will be entrusted with the responsibility of organising the Yatre. The modalities will be decided in one or two days, it is said.

President calls for affordable technology for specially abled

Inaugurates Diamond Jubilee celebrations of All India Institute of Speech and Hearing

FROM LEFT: ***MP Yaduveer Wadiyar, Union Minister of State for Health and Family Welfare Anupriya Patel, Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot, President Droupadi Murmu, Karnataka Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, Health Minister Dinesh Gundu Rao and AIISH Director Dr. M. Pushpavathi seen releasing the commemorative postal cover during the Diamond Jubilee celebrations at AIISH premises in city yesterday evening.***

Mysuru, Sept. 2 (PM&BCT)- President Droupadi Murmu has called upon society to treat specially abled persons with empathy and cooperation, stressing the need for awareness and early intervention in addressing speech & hearing impairments.

"Like other health issues, speech and hearing-related problems require expert diagnosis at the initial stages. Society must be sensitive and supportive towards those affected," the President said, after inaugurating the Diamond Jubilee celebrations of the All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH) at its Naimisham Campus near Manasagangothri last evening.

On the occasion, the President unveiled the Diamond Jubilee logo and released a commemorative postal cover.

Beginning her address with "Namaskara Karnataka," she highlighted that institutions like AIISH must blend innovation with compassion, developing

President Droupadi Murmu interacting with special children.

affordable technologies that not only restore normalcy but also empower individuals to contribute meaningfully to society and the economy.

Accessible to all

"To make devices such as cochlear implants accessible at lower costs, we must achieve self-reliance in their production, and AIISH should take the lead in this direction. In 2023, over six crore people in India suffered from hearing disorders, underscoring the vital role of AIISH as the nodal centre for the National Programme for Prevention and Control of Deafness," she noted.

The President further commended AIISH's contributions, including its nationally and internationally adopted inclusive therapy model for children with communication disorders. "AIISH should also play a role in shaping national policies on communication disorders," she advised.

Emphasising the importance of technology, President Murmu said that modern solutions must be made accessible to the public. She urged alumni of the institute to contribute to achieving these goals and lauded the Government's 'Sugamya Bharat Abhiyan,' aimed at ensuring equal opportunities and progress for specially abled persons.

Tech to foster inclusivity

"Public places must be equipped with facilities that make specially abled individuals feel supported. World Sign Language Day on Sept. 23 should serve as a platform to enrich sign language and expand technologies that foster inclusion," she stated.

Highlighting AIISH's women-led leadership for the past two decades, currently under Director Dr. M. Pushpavathi, the President described the institution as a model of women-led development.

She also acknowledged the contribution of the late Mysore Maharaja, Jayachamaraja Wadiyar, who donated land for the institute, and expressed gratitude to Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar for carrying forward that legacy.

Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot released a handbook titled 'Communication Pulse,' while CM Siddaramaiah unveiled 60@60 AIISH, A Diamond Beacon,' an album of success stories.

Need to promote Indian sign language: Governor

Mysuru, Sept. 2 (PM&BCT)- Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot has underscored the importance of standardising Indian Sign Language and promoting its widespread use in society. He was speaking at the Diamond Jubilee celebrations of AIISH) last evening.

The Governor noted that sign language is a vital communication tool for individuals with speech and hearing impairments and stressed the need for its development at both national and international levels.

Citing the Centre's "Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas" vision, he highlighted the efforts of the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, which has implemented the Cochlear Implant Scheme for those with hearing loss and developed the Indian Sign Language Dictionary to aid inclusivity.

"In this era of technological advancement, we face both challenges and opportunities," he remarked, calling for greater focus on artificial intelligence, digital therapy, and tele-audiology as emerging frontiers in speech and hearing healthcare.

Praising AIISH's role, the Governor said the institute has been a pioneer in education, research, and service delivery in the field of speech and hearing disabilities. "AIISH has given voice to many, restored hearing and enabled individuals to integrate into mainstream society — an achievement that is truly remarkable," he stated.

Today, AIISH is recognised as a premier institution in Southeast Asia for communication disorders. It offers 14 academic programmes and fosters a multidisciplinary educational environment in line with the National Education Policy 2020.

Commending the institute's diverse faculty and staff, the Governor lauded their contribution in providing comprehensive care to individuals with speech and hearing challenges.

10 acres in Varuna for AIISH expansion: CM

Mysuru, Sept. 2 (PM&BCT)- Chief Minister Siddaramaiah announced that the Karnataka Government has allotted 10 acres of land in Varuna Constituency to the AIISH to support its expansion. He assured that the State would extend full cooperation to the institute.

Speaking at the Diamond Jubilee celebrations of AIISH, held at the Seminar Hall, Knowledge Park, Naimisham Campus, Mysuru, the CM explained that the land in Varuna had been provided free of cost to facilitate the growth of AIISH's clinical and rehabilitation services. Siddaramaiah also highlighted several development projects being undertaken on the campus by the MCC at a cost of Rs. 2.55 crore.

These include the construction of an amphitheatre for children with disabilities, installation of disabled-friendly infrastructure, development of a garden, and creation of a waiting room and museum for children with speech & hearing impairments.

"I have been familiar with AIISH since my student days. It is one of Asia's most prestigious institutions, offering exemplary care to individuals affected by speech and hearing impairments — a truly commendable service," Siddaramaiah said.

He praised AIISH's achievements in detecting speech and hearing conditions even before birth and lauded its recognition as a Centre of Excellence by the World Health Organisation and as a Science and Technology Institute by the Government of India's Department of Science and Technology.

The CM also acknowledged AIISH's outreach centres and neonatal screening units supported by the State Health and Family Welfare Department through district & taluk hospitals, and community health centres.

Highlighting the Government's commitment, he said that under the State-sponsored 'Shravana Sanjeevini' programme, Rs. 32 crore has been earmarked in the 2024-25 Budget to provide free Cochlear Implant surgeries for children from economically weaker sections.

'Mysore Palace a rare jewel'

President Droupadi Murmu being welcomed to the private residential wing of the Mysore Palace by Pramoda Devi Wadiyar this morning as Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot, MP Yaduveer Wadiyar and others look on. Picture right shows Droupadi Murmu and her daughter Itishree Murmu with Pramoda Devi, Yaduveer Wadiyar, Trishikha Kumari Wadiyar and Aadyaveer Narasimharaja Wadiyar in front of the trophies at the Trophy Room at Mysore Palace.

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Breakfast menu

According to a press release by Pramoda Devi Wadiyar, a traditional Mysore menu was specially curated, consisting of tender coconut water, an assortment of fresh fruits including kiwi, plums and papaya, Shavige Upma, Mysore Masala Dosa, Idly, Sambhar, Chutney, Sabbakki Vada, Mysore Pak, Wheat Halbai and Badam Halwa.

Alongside these were ragi and wheat cookies, tea and coffee. The dishes were thoughtfully prepared in accordance with the food preferences of President Droupadi Murmu.

Following breakfast, Pramoda Devi Wadiyar personally guided the President through the Mysore Palace interiors, showcasing the Durbar Hall, Raja Ravi Varma's priceless paintings and heirloom furniture passed down through generations.

The President admired the lifelike quality of the artist's works, remarking on the brushwork and vibrant colours.

Droupadi Murmu also enjoyed going around a few important parts of the Palace, including the trophy room and armoury.

Present during the visit were Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar, his wife Trishikha Kumari Wadiyar, their elder son Aadyaveer Narasimharaja Wadiyar, Deputy Commissioner G. Lakshmikanth Reddy, City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar and Mysore Palace Board Deputy Director T.S. Subramanya.

President Droupadi Murmu left the Mysore Palace premises at 10.30 am, her convoy passing through Jayachamaraja Wadiyar Circle (Hardinge Circle) enroute to Mysore Airport.

The President departed for Chennai aboard an Indian Air Force (IAF) aircraft.

The royal furniture and silverware — sets of plates, spoons, bowls and cups — that were used to serve breakfast to the President and other dignitaries at the Mysore Palace this morning.

President's family visits Chamundi Hill Temple

Mysuru, Sept. 2 (MTY&BCT)-Following the cancellation of President Droupadi Murmu's scheduled visit to Chamundi Hill, her daughter Itishree Murmu, son-in-law Ganesh Chandra Hembram and other family members visited the Temple under tight security at 7.15 pm on Monday.

According to the original itinerary, the President was to travel from the Radisson Blu Plaza Hotel to Chamundi Hill between 6.30 pm and 7.30 pm.

However, on Monday morning, officials announced that the visit had been cancelled due to unavoidable circumstances.

Despite the change, the President's family members proceeded with the plan. Arriving by car at the temple's main entrance, they were received by M.J. Roopa, Secretary of Chamundeshwari Temple Development Authority, and Dr. N. Shashishekar Dixit, Chief Priest of the Temple.

After offering prayers and performing rituals on behalf of the President, the family left the hill around 7.50 pm.

Due to the President's scheduled visit, public access to Chamundi Hill was restricted from 2 pm to 8.30 pm.

Tourist entry barred

Entry was barred for tourists and general visitors, while vehicle movement from the Thavarekatte and Uttanahalli routes was also halted. Public access resumed after 8.30 pm.

Governor, CM see off President

At the Airport, Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot and Chief Minister Siddaramaiah bid farewell to President Droupadi Murmu as per protocol, along with other dignitaries. The President's flight departed at around 10.40 am.

The CM, who was on a three-day tour of Mysuru district, also returned to Bengaluru this morning by a special flight from the Mysore Airport.

During his visit, he had participated in several programmes in Mysuru city, Nanjangud and his native Siddaramanahundi in Mysuru taluk.

Police Officers honoured with coveted President's Medal

Mysuru, Sept. 2 (RK&BCT)- In a grand ceremony held at Raj Bhavan in Bengaluru on Saturday, Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot presented the coveted President's Medal to three distinguished Police personnel in the presence of Chief Minister Siddaramaiah.

Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot presenting the medals and certificates to Dy.SP K.N. Yashwanth Kumar, ACP Shivashankar and Inspector Nagesh at Raj Bhavan premises in Bengaluru recently as Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and Home Minister Dr. G. Parameshwara look on.

The awardees are: Dy.SP K.N. Yashwanth Kumar, CID Cyber Division, Bengaluru – Commendable Service Medal, M. Shivashankar, Assistant Commissioner of Police (Traffic), Mysuru City – Commendable Service Medal and S. Nagesh, Inspector, Police Training School, Jyothinagar, Mysuru – Union Home Minister's Excellence Award for Training.

K.N. Yashwanth Kumar: Joining the Police service in 2001 as a PSI (Civil), Yashwanth Kumar began his career at Virajpet Rural Police Station in Kodagu district.

During his tenure at Mandi Police Station, Mysuru, he displayed extraordinary courage in tracking a gang of armed robbers who had attempted to murder on-duty officers during a night patrol. In a dramatic, film-like encounter, he fired ten rounds and apprehended the culprits.

His sharp investigative skills were further demonstrated in the CID Cyber Division, where he successfully handled complex cybercrime cases, ensuring convictions through meticulous investigation and reinforcing public trust in the Police.

Working closely with national intelligence agencies and anti-terror units in Delhi, Uttar Pradesh, and Mumbai, he played a pivotal role in identifying and arresting nearly 20 individuals linked to extremist organisations engaged in anti-national activities.

He also contributed significantly to the drafting of the third edition of the Cyber Crime Investigation Manual published by the Data Security Council of India (DSCI), further cementing his role as a key figure in cybercrime investigation.

M. Shivashankar: Presently ACP (Traffic), Mysuru City, Shivashankar has served as ACP Narasimharaja and Inspector at Krishnaraja Traffic Police Station, Bengaluru JC Nagar Police Station, and other Police Stations across Bengaluru.

After his promotion as ACP, he was posted at Narasimharaja Sub-Division and later as Dy.SP at the Karnataka Police Academy before assuming his current role.

S. Nagesh: Currently serving at the Police Training School, Jyothinagar, Nagesh has held several key postings, including Inspector of Mandi Mohalla and Devaraja Police Stations in Mysuru, Sub-Inspector of Narasimharaja and Krishnaraja Traffic Stations and Kushalnagar Police Station. He was promoted as Inspector at the Directorate of Civil Rights Enforcement (DCRE), Madikeri in Kodagu.

Man dies of heart attack during Ganesha idol immersion procession

Mandya, Sept. 2 (KS)- In a tragic incident, a man who was dancing to DJ music during the immersion of Ganesha idol, collapsed and died after suffering from heart attack at Jothanapura village, K.R. Pet taluk in Mandya district on Sunday.

The deceased has been identified as Manjunath (55). On Sunday afternoon, the idol of Lord Ganesha awas being taken in a procession for immersiobn during which DJ music was being played.

Manjunath and others were dancing to the music during which he suffered a heart attack, collapsed on the ground and breathed his last.

The video of Manjunath dancing and suddenly collapsing on the ground has been captured on mobile phone cameras which has gone viral on social media.

Man dies after falling from tractor

In another incident, a man fell from the tractor carrying the Ganesha idol for immersion at Harave village, Hunsur taluk of Mysuru district.

The deceased is Auto Raju (34), a resident of the village.

The idol of Lord Ganesha was being taken in a procession in the tractor for immersion. When the vehicle came near the house of Raju, he climbed the tractor and was performing puja to the idol when he fell down from the tractor.

He is said to have breathed his last midway to the hospital.

Young hotelier ends life over loss in business

Mysuru, Sept. 2 (BLU&KS)- Unable to bear the mounting debt following a loss in hotel business, a youth allegedly committed suicide by hanging self in Lokanayakanagar in city yesterday.

Abhijit

The deceased youth is Abhijit (31), a resident of Hebbal 2nd Stage in city.

Abhijit was running a hotel by name 'Naan King' near Vijayanagar Water Tank. He had winded up the business after suffering losses since six months.

According to the Police complaint lodged by his brother S. Avinash, Abhijit had taken a loan of Rs. 25 lakh from a private finance firm and had also taken a car loan for Rs. 15 lakh from another private finance company, besides taking hand loans from others.

Abhijit was supposed to repay Rs. 1 lakh every month. As he was unable to repay the loans, the monthly instalments began to mount. He had stopped coming to his house since then and was staying in his friend's house at Lokanayakanagar since four months.

As pressure for repayment began to mount, Abhijit became depressed and took to liquor.

On Aug. 31 night, Abhijit partied with his friends till 4.30 am the next day. Later, his friends dropped him to the house and at about 5.30 am, his friends left the house to fetch breakfast. But at about 6.30 am, Abhijith hanged himself to the ceiling fan in the hall of the house, it is learnt.

Avinash said that after his friends informed him about the incident, he lodged a complaint with Metagalli Police, who have registered a case.

Property feud: Man hacked to death by brother

Father, sister-in-law also brutally assaulted

Mysuru, Sept. 2 (BLU&KS)- A fight over property ended in a man brutally murdering his elder brother at Bore Anandur in Yelwal Police limits in the taluk yesterday.

The deceased has been identified as Mahesh (33), son of Krishnegowda of the village. His father and wife were assaulted with a lethal weapon.

Mahesh

Ravi

It is said that Krishnegowda's younger son Ravi used to frequently quarrel over his share of property resulting in village elders intervening and stopping the quarrels. But yesterday noon, Ravi picked up a fight with his father and assaulted him with a lethal weapon. He then went to the pump house in the agriculture field and picked up a fight over sharing of property during which wordy duel ensued between them. Ravi then brutally assaulted Mahesh with a machete, killing him on the spot. Mahesh's wife Lakshmi, who rushed to her husband's rescue, was also assaulted with the sharp weapon by Ravi, before fleeing from the spot.

The seriously injured Krishnegowda and Lakshmi have been admitted to K.R. Hospital in city.

Yelwal Police, who have registered a case, have launched a hunt to nab Ravi, who is currently absconding.

Obituary

Sannamma

Mysuru, Sept. 2- Sannamma (84), wife of late Honnappa and a resident of Gandhinagar, passed away on Sunday in city.

She leaves behind five sons, one daughter, a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held at Adi Karnataka Burial Grounds in Gandhinagar yesterday afternoon, according to family sources.

Dharmasthala Chalo

'Foreign funding hardened conspiracy theory'

NIA or CBI probe must: State BJP President

Dharmasthala, Sept. 2 (Agencies)- State BJP President B.Y. Vijayendra has exhorted the State Congress Government to hand over the case of conspiracy against Dharmasthala to either National Investigation Agency (NIA) or the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI).

Vijayendra was addressing a mammoth convention on the outskirts here yesterday, as part of Dharmasthala Chalo, organised by the party to condemn the conspiracy and smear campaign against Dharmasthala.

Prior to the convention, Vijayendra, along with Leader of Opposition in the Legislative Assembly R. Ashoka, Dakshina Kannada MP Capt. Brijesh Chowta, MLA R. Suneel Kumar and former Kolar MP S. Muniraju, visited Dharmasthala Sri Manjunatha Swamy temple and called on Dharmadhikari Dr. D. Veerendra Heggade.

Vijayendra said, people irrespective of religion have been vociferously demanding for either NIA or CBI probe. It has been the demand of Lord Manjunatha's devotees. Even as Special Investigation Team (SIT) constituted by the State Government was probing 'mass burials' case, smear campaign was launched transcending boundaries at national and international levels, much to the disappointment of crores of devotees, he noted.

Health Minister Dinesh Gundu Rao had himself admitted that the Government was under tremendous pressure from the Leftists for SIT probe into the case. With the suspicion of foreign funding behind this conspiracy gaining ground, NIA or CBI should probe the same, Vijayendra demanded.

Quoting the statement of Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar, who had spoken about the conspiracy against Dharmasthala, he said that those behind the same should be brought to light.

Union Minister Pralhad Joshi, who buttressed the demand for NIA probe, suspected that the conspiracy to tarnish the image of Dharmasthala is still on.

Leader of Opposition (LoP) in Legislative Assembly R. Ashoka demanded that the SIT should cast the net wider to catch a bigger fish, rather than a smaller fish, for hatching a conspiracy in 'mass burials' case.

Leader of Opposition in the Legislative Council Chalavadi Narayanaswamy said, with the ulterior motive of defaming Dharmasthala, those having an unholy nexus, played a game with a *burude* from Dharmasthala to Delhi.

CM accuses BJP of using foreign funds for yatras

Mysuru, Sept.2 (BLU&DM)- Chief Minister Siddaramaiah has questioned the source of funds for the Opposition BJP's rallies and yatras, alleging that the party is receiving foreign money to organise religious yatras to Dharmasthala and public meetings.

Interestingly, the BJP itself had earlier alleged that those conspiring against Dharmasthala, one of the most revered Hindu religious institutions, were receiving foreign funds to malign its image with the tacit backing of the Government.

The CM has now turned the tables by using the same 'foreign fund' argument against the BJP. Speaking to reporters at his residence in T.K. Layout, Mysuru, this morning, Siddaramaiah claimed that the BJP began stirring the Dharmasthala row only after no human remains were found in the area.

'Mass burials' case

"Why did the BJP not raise the issue earlier? Dharmasthala Dharmadhikari Dr. D. Veerendra Heggade himself has welcomed the Special Investigation Team (SIT) probe into the alleged Dharmasthala 'mass burials' case. He has said the truth should come out and the sword of suspicion hanging over Dharmasthala must be cleared. The Government is not interfering in any way; the SIT is free to continue its investigation. The BJP is only highlighting the issue day in and day out for political reasons," he said.

Sowjanya murder case

On the BJP's demand for re-opening the Sowjanya rape and murder case, the CM pointed out that the CBI comes under the Union Government.

"The BJP, which heads the Centre, is playing a double game — supporting Dr. Veerendra Heggade on one hand and backing Sowjanya's family on the other. It is up to Sowjanya's family to approach the Supreme Court," the CM said.

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah seen receiving memorandum from public at his residence in T.K. Layout, Mysuru, this morning.

'Chamundi Hill Chalo'

Reacting to the BJP's plans for a 'Chamundi Hill Chalo' rally, Siddaramaiah said the party was free to go ahead. "Where was the RSS when the then Dewan of Mysore, Sir Mirza Ismail, was seated with the Maharaja during the Dasara procession? In 2017, when I was CM for the first time, noted poet Nisar Ahmed inaugurated Dasara, and the BJP did not oppose it then," he recalled.

On Banu Mushtaq

On the controversy surrounding International Booker Prize winner Banu Mushtaq inaugurating this year's Dasara festival on Sept. 22, Siddaramaiah said, "I do not know whether she has spoken about Arishina-Kumkuma or Goddess Bhuvaneshwari. But she could not have written such a prize-winning book without an interest in Kannada. No one can be forced to apply turmeric-kumkuma or wear flowers. The BJP cannot dictate that Banu Mushtaq, who belongs to another religion, must appear like a Hindu for the Dasara inauguration."

Vidu. Prithvi Bhaskar performs at 8th Cross Ganesha Pandal

Vidu. Prithvi Bhaskar presenting a vocal concert at 8th Cross Ganesha Pandal in V.V. Mohalla last evening as part of the 64th Heritage Music Festival organised by Sri Prasanna Vidya Ganapathi Mandali Charitable (SPVGMC) Trust, Mysuru. She is accompanied by Vid. H.N. Bhaskar on violin, Vid. Sai Giridhar on mridanga and Vid. Shamith Gowda on ghata.

The Jewellery Show in city from Sept. 4

Mysuru, Sept. 2- 'The Jewellery Show,' a three-day jewellery expo and sale, has been organised at Radisson Blu Plaza Hotel in city from Sept. 4 to 6 between 10 am and 10 pm.

Renowned and award-winning jewellers from across India will showcase exclusive designs and jewellery of exceptional value at the expo, which will be inaugurated by actress and Brand Ambassador for this edition Amrutha Prem at 12.30 pm on Sept. 4.

The expo features exclusive wedding collections, silver jewellery and artefacts, designer diamond and gold jewellery, classic mango necklace, statement and matte antique jewellery, couture, kundan & temple jewellery, ruby emerald combination sets, pearls & pearls jewellery, antique kaasu maalas, precious gem stones, bikaneri and filigree jewellery.

Amrutha Prem

MRC to host Mysore Monsoon Races-2025 from Sept. 4

Mysuru, Sept. 2- The Mysore Race Club (MRC) Limited is scheduled to start the Mysore (Monsoon) Races-2025 from Sept. 4 (Thursday). The 15-day racing will conclude on Oct. 26.

Stakemoney & Incentives/ Subsidies: The total advertised stakemoney for the season stands at Rs. 6,63,05,000, encompassing a distinguished array of prestigious cups and trophies. In addition to the existing performance incentives extended to owners, the Club will be giving further incentives exclusively for owners of Mysuru-based horses, in recognition of their continued commitment to the sport. Furthermore, float subsidies for outstation horses shall be disbursed in accordance with the prevailing norms, reaffirming the Club's dedication to equitable participation and excellence.

Classic and Sweepstakes Races: Key races for the season include:

For 3-year-old Indian horses — The Srikantadatta Narasimharaja Wadiyar Memorial Multi Million - **Sept. 4;** The F.K. Irani Memorial Million - **Sept. 12;** The Mysore 1000 Guineas (Grade III) - **Sept. 26;** The Mysore 2000 Guineas (Grade III) - **Oct. 3;**

The Mysore Derby-2025 on Oct. 26

The Mysore Derby (Grade I) - **Oct. 26.**

For Indian horses aged 3 years and above — The Mysore Dasara Sprint Championship (Grade II) - **Oct. 10;** The Mysore Race Club Anniversary Cup - **Oct. 25.**

For 4-year-old Indian Horses — The H.H. Sri Krishnaraja Wadiyar Memorial Trophy (Grade III) - **Sept. 5;** The Maharaja's Cup (Grade II) - **Sept. 19;** The Governor's Cup - **Oct. 17.**

Participants: • Approximately 350 horses are currently stabled at MRC, with an additional 400 outstation horses expected. • Around 26 local trainers and 50 visiting trainers will present their charges. • Nearly 120 jockeys, including India's top riders, are anticipated to participate.

Totalisators: An adequate number of betting terminals will be operational, equipped with adequate staff to ensure seamless wagering.

Admission: Entrance charges is fixed at Rs. 200 for on-course race days and Rs. 100 for off-course race days.

Live racing will be streamed on the Club's official website: ***www.mysoreraceclub.com***

Lucky Draw: The popular lucky draw, previously discontinued, is being reinstated this season on all Mysore Race Days. Winners will be selected from entrance ticket counterfoils — First Prize: Rs. 3,000; Second Prize: Rs. 2,000; Third Prize: Rs. 1,000, according to a press release from MRC Chairman & Senior Steward G. Venkatesh.

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TODAY'S MATCHES (SEPT. 2)

WOMEN'S SINGLES - QUARTER-FINALS
- 4 Jessica Pegula **Vs** Barbora Krejčíková **9.00 pm**

MEN'S SINGLES - QUARTER-FINALS
- 20 Jiri Lehecka **Vs** 2 Carlos Alcaraz **10.10 pm**

WOMEN'S DOUBLES - QUARTER-FINALS
- 11 Tímea Babos & Luisa Stefani **Vs** 3 Gabriela Dabrowski & Erin Routliffe **10.50 pm**

TOMORROW'S MATCHES (SEPT. 3)

WOMEN'S DOUBLES - QUARTER-FINALS
- 4 Veronika Kudermetova & Elise Mertens **Vs** 5 Mirra Andreeva & Diana Shnaider **12.00 am**
- 7 Asia Muhammad & Demi Schuurs **Vs** 2 Jasmine Paolini & Sara Errani **12.10 am**

WOMEN'S SINGLES - QUARTER-FINALS
- 1 Aryna Sabalenka **Vs** Markéta Vondroušová **4.30 am**
- 8 Amanda Anisimova **Vs** 2 Iga Świątek **TBD**
- 11 Karolína Muchová **Vs** 23 Naomi Osaka **TBD**

MEN'S SINGLES - QUARTER-FINALS
- 7 Novak Djokovic **Vs** 4 Taylor Fritz **5.40 am**
- 1 Jannik Sinner **Vs** 10 Lorenzo Musetti **TBD**
- 25 Felix Auger-Aliassime **Vs** 8 Alexde Minaur **TBD**

Catch the live action on STAR SPORTS

Qualify for CISCE Badminton Nationals

Gonikoppal, Sept. 2- M.S. Pulin Poovaiah and Gagan R. Gowda, students of Coorg Public School (COPS), Gonikoppal, emerged champions at CISCE Regional-level U-17 Badminton Tournament held at Greenwood High in Bengaluru recently.

Representing their school with skill and determination, Pulin Poovaiah and Gagan Gowda

Pulin Poovaiah & Gagan Gowda with their coach Chermana.

dominated the court with their flawless coordination, sharp smashes and strategic gameplay. Their consistent performance throughout the tournament earned them the coveted title and a qualification to the CISCE National-level Badminton Championship.

The duo is being coached by Chermana.

Entries invited for Maharshi Valmiki Award

Mysuru, Sept. 2- With the State Government scheduled to celebrate Sri Maharshi Valmiki Jayanti on Oct. 7, the District Administration has invited entries from achievers belonging to ST (Scheduled Tribe) community who have strived for the development /upliftment/ welfare of ST communities, for conferment of State-level Sri Maharshi Valmiki Award.

Individuals belonging to ST communities, who have excelled in academic, social, literary and other such fields at the District-level, can obtain the prescribed entry forms from the office of SC/ST Welfare Officer in the respective taluk or from the office of the ITDP (Integrated Tribal Development Project)) Officer, Mysuru. The filled-in forms, along with all supporting documents, must be submitted before Sept. 9.

For details, visit the office of the Planning Co-ordinator, ITDP, Dr. Babu Jagjivan Ram Bhavan, Adipampa Road, Vontikoppal East, Paduvarahalli, Mysuru or call Mob: 97420-99989.

New Prefects of Al-Kareem School

The Investiture Ceremony of Al-Kareem School was held at the School premises in Rajivnagar recently. Badges and sashes were given to Head Girl Faqya Aanisa, Head Boy Mohammed Uzair and other Prefects — Mujahid Ul Islam, Saad Shariff, Syed Al-Ameen, Md Reehan, Md Faizan Khan, Md Furkhan, Md Shuraim, Md Zaid, Sufiyan Khan, Md Jaffar, Sinnan Shariff, Junaid Khan, Syed Bilal, Md Fowzan, Azan Baig, Sumaiya Banu, Zoya Jan, Anjum Fathima, Hafiza Mohammadi, Rida Shariff, Salehath, Hajira Banu, Hida Banu, Arshiya Banu, Noorain, Shaikh Saifa, Nastayeen Fathima, Fathima Zoya, Sadiya, Shaziya Banu and Bibi Zainab. The School leaders are seen with School Chairman & Advocate Kaleemulla Baig and School Head Mistress Yasmeen Sultana.

Takes charge as Akashvani Mysuru Assistant Director

T.V. Vidyashankar

Mysuru, Sept. 2- T.V. Vidyashankar took charge as the Assistant Director (Programme) of Akashvani Mysuru yesterday (Sept. 1). Son of senior scholar Dr. T.V. Venkatachala Sastry, Vidyashankar had earlier served as the Programme Executive at Bengaluru, Hassan and Dharwad Akashvani, according to a press release from Mysuru Akashvani Programme Executive N. Keshavamurthy.

WORD OF THE DAY

Epitome

Pronunciation: ih-PIT-uh-mee (noun)
Meaning: Epitome means "a perfect example." It is usually used in the phrase "the epitome of," as in "the epitome of elegance."
Origin: Epitome first appeared in print in early 16th century, when it was used to mean "summary." If someone asks you to summarize a long paper, you effectively cut it up, mentioning only most important ideas. The etymology of epitome reflects this process: it comes from Greek epitemnein, meaning "to cut short." Your summary probably also presents all the key points of the original work, which may explain why epitome eventually came to be used for any person or object that is a clear or good example of an abstraction, as in "the epitome of grace" or "the epitome of health."
Example: "The image of Diana standing on a polo field in a white British Lung Foundation sweatshirt is one of the most iconic images of late princess. Dressed in jeans, a baseball cap, cowboy boots & a blazer over logo crewneck, Princess Diana — who served as patron of foundation—looked the epitome of '80s cool." —Kristin Contino, Marie Claire, 27 June 2025.

THE ODD WORD

Quintessence

The most perfect example.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Step up to the plate

Meaning: The phrase 'Step up to the plate' means to accept a challenge or responsibility for something; to rise to the occasion.
Origin: You probably won't be surprised to learn that the origin of the phrase 'Step up to the plate' is baseball. No one is certain when the term was first used as a phrase, but the expression is a very easy one to understand. When a baseball player is prepared to receive a pitch, he or she 'steps up to the plate' to indicate readiness.
Example: "It's time for Tom to step up to plate and take on his share of work."

QUOTE BOX

Only the wisest and stupidest of men never change. — **Confucius**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

CUT
CUT CUT CUT
CUT CUT CUT

Answer: A cut above the rest.

SUDOKU

		1			7			9
		4						5
	2		1		5			
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	5	7		6	3			
			9		1		4	
1						8		
7			6			9		

Answer to previous puzzle

4	7	1	3	6	2	9	8	5
9	3	2	4	8	5	7	1	6
8	5	6	1	9	7	4	3	2
6	2	3	9	4	1	5	7	8
7	9	4	2	5	8	1	6	3
5	1	8	7	3	6	2	9	4
1	8	7	5	2	3	6	4	9
3	4	5	6	1	9	8	2	7
2	6	9	8	7	4	3	5	1

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:
1 Pointed tool
4 A young unmarried girl
8 Seller-Furnished Equip.
11 Body of water
12 Full-length
14 Long-sleeved linen vestment
15 Air Transp. Radio
16 Eyelid inflammations
17 A familiar hostelry
18 Inst. of Elec. and Electronics Engrs.
20 Playback singer ___ Narayan
22 A face card
24 Stream of abuse
26 Wings or winglike parts
27 Foundation
28 ___ de mer (seasickness)
29 Carol-singers
30 India's real-time payment system
33 First monkey's advice : ___ ___ evil (3,2)
34 Snatch suddenly
35 Put in
37 Taj Mahal city
38 Linger furtively
39 Republic of Ireland
41 Russian space station
42 Get to know
45 Nav Data Base
48 Owns
49 Shows boredom
50 Use a knife
51 Lyric poem
52 Remainder
53 Addressee

DOWN
1 Arab sleeveless garment
2 Buddhist monastery
3 Musical or song-like
4 Source of inspiration
5 Gaming stake
6 Freezing
7 Give it to the devil?
8 Savoury or palatable
9 Musical instrument
10 Recede
13 Trouble or woe - "stir us" anagram ?
19 ___ out : make last longer?
21 Karl Marx's ___ Kapital
22 Tight spot
23 _ _ carte (1,2)
24 Blemish or black mark
25 Analogy words (2,2)
27 Famous prizefighter and actor - "bear" anagram ?
29 Once in seven days
30 Pressing need
31 A state of essential equality or equivalence
32 Ind. Bankers Assoc.
33 Georgia, formerly
34 Elongated fish
35 Homer work
36 Hospital employee
39 Coastal birds
40 Short for 'this month'
41 Electrical conductance unit
43 One of a pair of listeners?
44 Great respect
46 Batman and Robin, for one?
47 British Thermal Unit, in short

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

L	L	M	■	■	I	S	P	■	S	H	A	M
E	I	A	■	■	O	L	E	■	H	O	W	L
M	I	L	L	I	N	E	R	■	E	W	E	S
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L	A	I	L	A	■	P	I	L	L	■	■	■
L	U	V	■	■	■	■	T	I	E	R	S	■
D	R	E	A	M	T	■	S	P	Y	I	N	G
■	A	S	T	O	R	■	■	■	C	E	O	■
■	■	■	T	O	A	D	■	A	C	H	E	D
■	J	O	U	R	N	A	L	I	S	M	■	■
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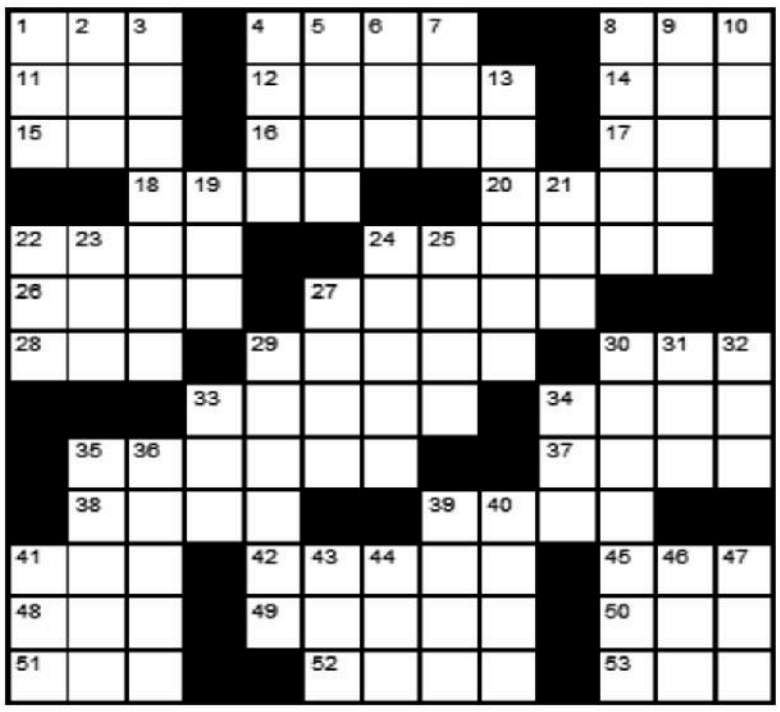

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

AKIXGAQ QGDFC KAF MFYCKA CK VNTX OEDOAIOQF

KDFY OAKIXFY OC IK YFVOGA TKKW OAE

NAYNLLWFE NAEFY OWW TGYTNVCIOATFC.

TODAY'S CLUE: Q EQUALS G

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: The husband who wants a happy marriage should learn to keep his mouth shut and his checkbook open.

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- **Padma Theatre** — **Ph: 2521923**
  Coolie (Ta) - 4 Shows
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  Coolie (H) - 3 Shows
- **Lido Theatre** — **Ph: 2420885**
  Vishnuvardhana (K) - 2 Shows; *Simharoopini (K)* - 2 Shows

DRC CINEMAS — Ph: 4240422, 4241800

Mahavata Narsimha (K-3D)	(S-1)	10 am, 1.15 pm
Coolie (Ta)	(S-1)	4 pm
Hridayapoorvam (Ma)	(S-1)	7.20 pm, 10.25 pm
Gandhi Mattu Notu (K)	(S-2)	10.30 am
Gowrishankara (K)	(S-2)	1.30 pm
Rippan Swamy (K)	(S-2)	4 pm
Odum Kuthira Chaadum Kuthira (Ma)	(S-2)	7 pm
Lokah - Chapter 1 Chandra (Ma)	(S-2)	10.10 pm
Param Sundari (H)	(S-3)	10.35 am, 4 pm, 7 pm, 9.55 pm
Andondittu Kaala (K)	(S-3)	1.25 pm
Vishnuvardhana (K)	(S-4)	10.10 am
Su From So (K)	(S-4)	1.15 pm, 4.10 pm, 7 pm, 9.50 pm

MYSURU VISION CINEMAS — Ph: 0821 - 2973519

Su From So (K)	(S-1)	10.30 am
	(S-2)	1.15 pm, 6.45 pm, 9.30 pm
Andondittu Kaala (K)	(S-1)	1.15 pm
Odum Kuthira Chhadum Kuthira (Ma)	(S-1)	3.35 pm, 9.30 pm
Lokah : Chapter 1 – Chandra (Ma)	(S-1)	6.30 pm
Param Sundari (H)	(S-2)	10.35 am
	(S-3)	4.10 pm, 6.50 pm, 9.30 pm
Rippan Swamy (K)	(S-2)	4 pm
Coolie (K)	(S-3)	12.55 pm; (S-4) 6.20 pm
Mahavatar Narsimha (K-3D)	(S-4)	10.15 am, 12.50 pm
Hridayapoorvam (Ma)	(S-4)	3.25 pm, 9.35 pm

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Coolie (K)	:	9.25 am, 6.50 pm
Coolie (Ta)	:	12.35 pm
Su From So (K)	:	9.45 am, 1.40 pm, 7.20 pm, 10.10 pm
Hridayapoorvam (Ma)	:	9.50 am, 4.10 pm, 10.30 pm
Lokah: Chapter 1 - Chandra (Ma)	:	10.10 am, 4 pm, 10.10 pm
Bring Her Back (E)	:	11.15 am
Andondittu Kaala (K)	:	12.40 pm
Odum Kuthira Chaadum Kuthira (Ma)	:	12.55 pm, 6.45 pm
Simharoopini (K)	:	1.15 pm
War 2 (H)	:	3.20 pm, 10.15 pm
Arjun Chakravarthy (Te)	:	3.55 pm
Mahavatar Narsimha (H-3D)	:	4.30 pm
Sundarakanda (Te)	:	7.05 pm
Rippan Swamy (K)	:	7.15 pm
Parineeta (H)	:	10 pm

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Param Sundari (H)	:	8.50 am, 11.25 am, 2 pm, 7.40 pm 10.30 pm
Lokah: Chapter 1 - Chandra (Ma)	:	10 am, 4.05 pm
Su From So (K)	:	10.25 am, 1.15 pm, 4.50 pm, 7.30 pm
Coolie (K)	:	10.30 am, 4.05 pm
Hridayapoorvam (Ma)	:	1 pm, 10 pm
Rippan Swamy (K)	:	1.55 pm
Gowrishankara (K)	:	5 pm
Mahavatar Narsimha (K-2D)	:	7.10 pm
Andondittu Kaala (K)	:	7.20 pm
War 2 (H)	:	9.50 pm, 10.20 pm

EVENTS TODAY (SEPT. 2)

- **Savarkar Pratishtana Mysuru:** Talk on 'Savarkar Kalpaneya Bharatiya Sene and Operation Sindoor' by BJP National General Secretary (Organising) **B.L. Santhosh,** Dr. Chandrashekar of Aadithya Adhikari Hospital chief guest, Savarkar Pratishtana Mysuru President Dr. S. Yashasvini presides, Kalamandira, Hunsur Road, **5.30 pm.**

Santhosh

- **Sri Prasanna Vidya Ganapathi Mandali Charitable (SPVGMC) Trust, Mysuru and Kannada and Culture Department:** 64th Heritage Music Festival, Gamaka Vaachana Programme — 'Koushika Ramayana - Bharata Paduke' Kavya Vaachana by Vid. Dr. Manjunath and Vyakyana by Vid. Dr. Ramasheshan, **5.30 pm;** Violin duet by Vid. Vittal Ramamurthy and Vidu. Padma Shankar, accompanied by Vid. Bangalore Praveen on mridanga and Vid. Bharadwaj R. Sathavalli on morching, 8th Cross Ganesha Pandal, V.V. Mohalla, **6.45 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (SEPT. 3)

- **Department of Biochemistry and Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), MMK&SDM Mahila Maha Vidyalaya:** Hands-on workshop 'Insights to forensics,' Dr. M. Arun, Professor of Forensic Medicine, chief guest, Dr. G.B. Aravind, Associate Professor and Co-ordinator, Department of Forensic Medicine and Toxicology, JSS Medical College, JSS AHER, guest of honour, Dr. G.J. Sathisha, Professor, Department of Biochemistry, Kuvempu University, Shivamogga, special guest, Prof. N. Bharathi, Principal, MMK&SDM Mahila Maha Vidyalaya, presides, College Auditorium, **10 am.**
- **JSS Polytechnic, JSSTI's Campus, Mysuru:** JSSPM Convocation-2025 and valedictory of International Technical Paper Presentation-2025, S.P. Manjunath, Secretary-1, JSS Mahavidyapeetha, will be present, K. Vivekananda, MLC and Srikanta Gupta of Infosys Ltd., guests, Seminar Hall, JSS Polytechnic, **4 pm.**
- **Ranga Ratnakara, Bengaluru and Amateur Theatre Artistes Forum, Mysuru:** 'Nage Habba' by Richard Louis' troupe from Bengaluru; Theatre Songs by Janni's troupe from Mysuru, retd. Director of Prasaranga K.T. Veerappa inaugurates, retd. Professor of Sarada Vilas College Prof. A.V. Suryanarayanaswamy presides, Joint Director of Kannada & Culture Department V.N. Mallikarjunaswamy and Director of Rangayana Mysuru Sathish Tiptur guests of honour, B.V. Karanth Chavadi, Rangayana premises, **5 pm.**
- **Sri Prasanna Vidya Ganapathi Mandali Charitable (SPVGMC) Trust, Mysuru:** 64th Heritage Music Festival, Gamaka Vaachana Programme — 'Jaimini Bharata' Kavya Vaachana by Vidu. Satya Lakshmi Padmesh and Vyakyana by Vid. C.M. Subbanna, **5.30 pm;** Vocal concert by Bangalore Brothers (Vid. M.B. Hariharan and Vid. S. Ashok), accompanied by Vid. Vittal Ramamurthy on violin, Vid. Bangalore Praveen on mridanga and Vid. Vazhappally Krishnakumar on ghata, 8th Cross Ganesha Pandal, V.V. Mohalla, **6.45 pm.**

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Mahavatar Narsimha (K)	:	10.50 am, 4.25 pm
War 2 (H)	:	12.40 pm
Odum Kuthira Chaadum Kuthira (Ma)	:	4.05 pm
Andondittu Kaala (K)	:	4.25 pm
Lokah: Chapter 1 - Chandra (Ma)	:	6.55 pm
Hridayapoorvam (Ma)	:	10 pm
Coolie (Ta)	:	10.10 pm

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Gowrishankara (K)	:	11.30 am
Mahavatar Narsimha (K)	:	12.30 pm, 6.20 pm
Vishnuvardhana (K)	:	1.25 pm
Usiru (K)	:	2 pm
Su From So (K)	:	4.35 pm
Balya (K)	:	4.50 pm
Gandi Mattu Notu (K)	:	7.20 pm
Lokah: Chapter 1 - Chandra (Ma)	:	7.25 pm
Muruga S/O Kaanunu (K)	:	10 pm
Odum Kuthira Chaadum Kuthira (Ma)	:	10.30 pm

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Skill Training at RUDSETI

Mysuru, Sept. 2- The Rural Development and Self Employment Training Institute (RUDSETI), Mysuru, will be conducting the following Skill Training Programme at its premises in Hinkal: Poultry Training from Sept. 8 to 20; CCTV Camera Installation & Repair Training from Sept. 15 to 27; Electrical Motor Rewinding and Pumpset Repair Training from Sept. 18 to Oct. 17.

The training is free of cost including boarding and lodging. Candidates aged between 18 and 45 years, who can read and write in Kannada, are eligible to apply. Preference will be given to rural BPL candidates.

Interested candidates must apply with mobile number, photocopies of Aadhaar card and Ration card. Candidates will be selected based on direct interview.

For further details, contact Ph: 0821-2519663 or Mob: 97404-30061 or 94498-60466.

Hoysala and Keladi Chennamma Awards

Mysuru, Sept. 2- The Department of Women and Child Development has invited applications from children aged between 5 and 18 years for Hoysala Award (for boys) and Keladi Chennamma Award (for girls) for the year 2025-26.

Those who have displayed exemplary achievement in innovation, scholastic, sports and arts/culture/music are eligible to apply. Eight children selected from the above four categories will be awarded a cash prize of Rs. 10,000 each along with a citation.

The prescribed application forms can be obtained from the office of the Deputy Director, Women and Child Development Department, Vijayanagar 2nd Stage, Mysuru. The forms must be filled in Kannada and submitted before Sept. 22 (by 5.30 pm) along with necessary documents. [Ph: 0821-2495432]

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